

PATENT

Customer No. 22,852

Attorney Docket No. 02734.0442-02000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Steven L. EDWARDS et al.

Group Art Unit: 1731

Application No.: 09/987,248

Examiner: J. Fortuna

Filed: November 14, 2001

For: METHOD FOR MAXIMIZING  
WATER REMOVAL IN A PRESS  
NIP

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of July 31, 2002. The items checked below are appropriate:

- ☒ Applicants hereby petition for a three (3) month extension of time to respond to the above Office Action. The fee of \$930 for the Extension is to be charged to our Deposit Account 06-0916.

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	90	-	90	0	x \$ 18	\$ .00
Indep.	12	-	12	0	x \$ 84	.00
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s)					+\$280	.00
Subtotal						\$ .00
Reduction by 1/2 if small entity						- .00
TOTAL						\$ .00

- ☐ A fee of \$[Fee] to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply is enclosed.
- ☒ A fee of \$320.00 to cover Notice Of Appeal is to be charged to our Deposit Account 06-0916.
- ☐ A check for \$[Total Fees] to cover the above fee(s) is enclosed.

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Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account 06-0916.

Dated: January 30, 2003

By: 

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